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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON).

# DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC, February 13, 2003.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL K. SIMPSON to act as Speaker pro tempore on

J. DENNIS HASTERT. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### **PRAYER**

The Reverend Jim Schetler, Pastor, Pensacola Christian College Campus Church, Pensacola, Florida, offered the following prayer:

Dear Holy and Merciful Father, we praise You for who You are; for all You provide and for all You do in us and through us.

Thank You for the blessing of being an American. We praise and thank You for the protection and provision on this blessed land. Lord, pour upon these legislators a spirit of cooperation, enabling them to complete today's priorities.

Father, provide a hedge of protection around this body and their loved ones. Give unto them a righteous discernment and the courage to dispense it. Enable them to be upright stewards of the time, assets, and authority entrusted to them.

May each representative understand they were elected by the people, but ordained by You, the creator of government, and are therefore Your ministers.

When this day is done, may much be accomplished with a clear conscience to all regarding their decisions. Most of all, Heavenly Father, we acknowledge

that You will be our refuge and our strength in the days to come.

In the name of our Lord, we ask these things. Amen.

# THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New York MCNULTY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. McNULTY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Florida (Mr. MILLER) is recognized for 1 minute. The remainder of the 1-minute speeches will be postponed until the end of the day.

## PASTOR JIM SCHETLER

(Mr. MILLER of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to acknowledge Pastor Jim Schetler, who blessed us with our opening prayer today. Pastor Schetler comes to us from Pensacola Christian College Campus Church, a ministry involving over 1,500 members of the community, and over 4,000 Pensacola Christian College students when the school is in session.

His personal journey with God and the Holy Spirit has given him a dynamic and vibrant ability to make his preachings come alive to Christians of all ages. As a result, his Sunday morning services are now aired by television stations nationwide. Originally from City, Michigan, Pastor Traverse graduated from Pensacola Schetler Christian College in 1979 and has remained in its service ever since. He met his wife, Marilee, while he was a student at PCC, and has been blessed with three wonderful sons: Benjamin, Luke, and Drew.

Upon graduation, he spent the following 2 years traveling as a PCC representative. Afterwards, he and Marilee spent 6 months living in a kibbutz in Israel with the Baptists for Israel Institute. He then spent the next 7 years as a youth pastor of Campus Church until he became the pastor of Campus Church in 1988.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my friend, Pastor Jim Schetler, for joining us on the House floor today.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY, WORK, AND FAMILY PROMOTION ACT OF 2003

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 69 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as fol-

#### H. RES. 69

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4) to reauthorize and improve the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, improve access to quality child care, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed two

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